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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of : Pate, James  
Appl. No. : 10/620,778  
Filed : July 15, 2003  
Art Unit : 2876  
Examiner : Nguyen, Kimberly D.  
Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATICALLY  
TRACKING AND COMMUNICATING DATA STORAGE  
DEVICE INFORMATION USING RF TAGS: OPERATING  
CONDITION, CONFIGURATION AND LOCATION  
Attorney Docket No. : LSI 02-5976

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION DATED  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 9, 2005, for which the three month shortened statutory period for reply is set to expire on December 9, 2005. While Applicant believes that no extension of time for this Response is necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to grant any needed extension of time and to charge any fees which may be required for this Response, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-2252.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.